



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 6165**

LCO No. 891

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:

REP. BACCHIOCHI, 52<sup>nd</sup> Dist.

(By Request)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF DEADLY PHYSICAL FORCE IN  
SELF DEFENSE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 53a-20 of the general statutes be amended to create a
- 2 rebuttable presumption that it is reasonable for a person to believe
- 3 deadly physical force is necessary to defend oneself against someone
- 4 who has unlawfully entered such person's dwelling.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To create a presumption that it is reasonable to believe deadly physical force is necessary to defend oneself from a person who has unlawfully entered a dwelling.